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LETTER DATED 9 SEPTEMBER 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you of the following Iranian violations of the provisions of the cease-fire between Iraq and Iran:

1. During the period from 15 to 25 March 1991, the Iranian side established a presence in the central-sector area of separation with an infantry force estimated to range between a section and a platoon at the following points:

(a) Map of Kani: geographical coordinates 65010 and 535985;

(b) Map of Khanaqin: geographical coordinates 444651;

(c) Map of Mandali: geographical coordinates 547444, 551428, 649269, 890135, 869172, 688248, 736197, 554409, 607332, 890140, 890145, 861176 and 843186;

(d) Map of Baldaruz: geographical coordinates 413564.

2. At 0820 hours on 7 August 1991, a helicopter was observed coming from Sarbil Zahab in the direction of Qasr-e Shirin. It flew over the outskirts of Qasr-e Shirin and returned at 1835 hours to the Iranian rear (map of Qasr-e Shirin in the central sector).

3. At 0925 hours on 7 August 1991, a military helicopter was observed coming from the Iranian rear. It landed in the Naft Shah area at geographical coordinates 456647 (map of Khanaqin, central sector).

4. At 0800 hours on 8 August 1991, three Land Cruiser vehicles, a saloon and two pick-ups, were observed carrying 20 persons who were laying mines at coordinates 419564 in the southern-sector area of separation (map of Sheikh Faris).

5. At 0900 hours on 9 August 1991, an Iranian excavator was seen digging and improving positions at geographical coordinates 528852 in the central-sector area of separation (map of Kani Buz).

6. At 2245 hours on 9 August 1991, an Iranian group tried to approach our forward units' positions to the left of the Ziyadi control post at geographical coordinates 1547 in the central sector (map of Sheikh Sa'd).

7. At 0915 hours on 10 August 1991, an Iranian helicopter was observed coming from the Iranian rear in the direction of the Naft Shah area. Then it circled over the international frontier travelling north along the line of the international frontier. It was flying at a high altitude in the central sector (map of Khanaqin).

8. At 0945 hours on 10 August 1991, an Iranian helicopter was observed coming from the Iranian rear in the direction of Qasr-e Shirin. Then it turned back and proceeded in the direction of Sarbil Zahab. It was flying at medium altitude in the central sector (map of Qasr-e Shirin).

9. At 1220 hours on 10 August 1991, an Iranian helicopter was seen coming from the town of Ilam and flying in the direction of Mehran. Then it circled over the town and returned in the direction of the Iranian rear in the central sector (map of Sheikh Sa'd).

10. At 0945 hours on 11 August 1991, two groups of persons from the Iranian side, estimated to number 10, were observed strengthening the Iranian positions at geographical coordinates 503512 and 501517 in the central sector (map of Mandali).

11. At 1720 hours on 11 August 1991, 15 persons from the Iranian side were seen digging a 10-metre-long communications trench linking their positions and the SPG-9 gun position at geographical coordinates 542235 in the central-sector area of separation (map of Qasr-e Shirin).

12. On 11 August 1991, the Iranian side constructed an observation post in front of the Saddam control post at geographical coordinates 416567 in the central-sector area of separation (map of Sheikh Faris).

13. At 1730 hours on 13 August 1991, an Iranian Land Cruiser pick-up was observed coming from Qasr-e Shirin in the direction of the Iranian guard post at geographical coordinates 538236, carrying two 82-millimetre mortars and two medium-sized PKC machine-guns with a quantity of ammunition. They set up the mortars at geographical coordinates 540231 and one of the machine-guns at the Iranian control post at geographical coordinates 543237 and the other at the Iranian Shukr control post in the central-sector area of separation (map of Qasr-e Shirin).

14. At 1850 hours on 13 August 1991, three persons from the Iranian side were observed carrying two 60-millimetre mortars, which they set up directly opposite the Yathrib control post at geographical coordinates 546238 in the central-sector area of separation (map of Qasr-e Shirin).

15. At 1135 hours on 16 August 1991, five persons from the Iranian side were observed building a post of sandbags on the first Iranian embankment at

geographical coordinates 908325 in the southern-sector area of separation (map of Tahiri).

16. At 1620 hours on 15 August 1991, 10 persons from the Iranian side were seen building and completing an observation post of stones on an earth mound at geographical coordinates 303812 in front of the Sharhani control post in the southern-sector area of separation (map of Tib).

17. At 1750 hours on 17 August 1991, 10 persons from the Iranian side were seen building positions and digging slit trenches at geographical coordinates 535235 to the left of the Iranian Shukr control post in the central-sector area of separation (map of Qasr-e Shirin).

18. At 1900 hours on 18 August 1991, eight persons from the Iranian side were seen laying mines and trip flares at geographical coordinates 545438 in the central-sector area of separation (map of Mandali).

19. At 1930 hours on 18 August 1991, a Land Cruiser saloon carrying 40 persons from the Iranian side was observed at the positions facing the Qutaybah control post at geographical coordinates 468205 in the central-sector area of separation (map of Qasr-e Shirin).

20. At 1810 hours on 19 August 1991, an Iranian helicopter was observed coming from the Iranian rear from the Ilam area in the direction of the town of Mehran. It then circled over the town of Mehran in the central sector (map of Zurbatiyah).

21. At 0900 hours on 22 August 1991, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and two vehicles, one of them an ambulance, with 10 soldiers for protection, proceeded to build a new road between the Iranian Sefid control post and geographical coordinates 5922 in the area of separation. At 1215 hours, the two vehicles withdrew in the direction of hill 404 at geographical coordinates 570229 in the area of separation. The bulldozer was parked at geographical coordinates 5823 in the central-sector area of separation (map of Qasr-e Shirin).

22. At 1100 hours on 24 August 1991, a bulldozer was observed with three Iranian soldiers who were working at geographical coordinates 588236 in the central-sector area of separation (map of Qasr-e Shirin).

23. At 0900 hours on 29 August 1991, an Iranian excavator was observed strengthening positions and building an earth embankment around the guard post at the Hidayat control post at geographical coordinates 510268 in the central-sector area of separation (map of Qasr-e Shirin).

24. At 1045 hours on 29 August 1991, a grader and a roller were observed with a water trailer and 12 persons from the Iranian side, who were digging the foundation of a building, at geographical coordinates 453641 in the central-sector area of separation (map of Khanaqin).

25. At 1620 hours on 28 August 1991, the Iranian side built a position at geographical coordinates 900293 in the southern-sector area of separation (map of Tahiri) and set up the Iranian flag on it.

26. At 1230 hours on 29 August 1991, the Iranian side set up the Iranian flag at geographical coordinates 901025 in the southern-sector area of separation (map of Tahiri).

27. At 1630 hours on 29 August 1991, the Iranian side built a post at geographical coordinates 913021 in the southern-sector area of separation (map of Tahiri).

28. From 1600 hours to 2040 hours on 30 August 1991, the Iranian side built a road over a distance of 3.5 kilometres at right angles to the front at geographical coordinates 9002333 in the southern-sector area of separation (map of Tahiri).

29. On 30 August 1991, the Iranian side set up the Iranian flag at geographical coordinates 903275 in the southern-sector area of separation (map of Tahiri).

30. At 0850 hours on 1 September 1991, an Iranian helicopter was observed coming from the Iranian rear and landing at geographical coordinates 459641 in the central sector opposite the Naftkhaneh area. At 1200 hours, it returned to the Iranian rear.

31. At 0800 hours on 3 September, a group of persons from the Iranian side were laying mines and trip flares in front of the Iranian Alam post at geographical coordinates 715206 in the southern-sector area of separation (map of Hawr Huwayzah). Then it returned at 0900 hours to the Iranian rear.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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